GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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EXCISE DUTY ON PETROL
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to levy an excise duty at the rate of Rs. 2.00 per litre on petrol;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the oil marketing companies are incurring losses on the sale of Kerosene and LPG;and

(d) if so, whether the proposed excise duty levy is meant to offset the losses incurred by the oil marketing companies on the sale of Kerosene and LPG?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS(SHRI DINSHA PATEL)

(a) & (b) : Ministry of Finance has informed that at present, there is no such proposal under consideration of the Government.

(c) : Based on Refinery Gate Prices applicable from 1st February, 2009, the Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) are incurring under-recovery of Rs.11.25 per litre on PDS Kerosene and Rs.74.53 per 14.2 kg Domestic LPG cylinder.

(d) : Does not arise in view of (a) & (b) above.